

June 28, 2012

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Ms. Karen Majcher Vice President – High Cost Low Income Division Universal Service Administrative Company 2000 L Street NW, Suite 200 Washington, D.C. 20036

RE: WC Docket No. 10-90: Annual Reporting Requirements for High-Cost Recipients - - §54.313 (a)(2) through (a)(6)

Pursuant to Section 54.313 (a)(2) through (a)(6) of the Federal Communications Commission's rules, enclosed are the 2012 annual report and certification for Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Northern), - - Study Area Code 482248.

Should you have any questions, please contact me via email at msheard@northerntel.net or by phone at (406) 937-9661.

Sincerely,

Michael Sheard

General Manager, Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Enclosures

Cc: Montana Public Service Commission

## Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

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# $\S54.313(a)(2)$ – OUTAGE REPORTING.

Northern Telephone was not required to collect this information in 2011.

### §54.313(a)(3) – UNFULFILLED SERVICE REQUESTS.

Northern Telephone was not required to collect this information in 2011.

#### §54.313(a)(4) - UNFULFILLED SERVICE REQUESTS.

Northern Telephone was not required to collect this information in 2011.

# §54.313(a)(5) – SERVICE QUALITY STANDARDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION RULES.

I certify that Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is in compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.

#### §54.313(a)(6) – ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

I certify that Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is capable of functioning in emergency situations as set forth in 47 CFR §54.202(a)(2). Specifically, Northern Telephone has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.

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I am authorized to file this information and provide these certifications on behalf of Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc. This information and certifications are for the following:

COMPANY NAME	STATE	STUDY AREA
Northern Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	Montana	482248

Executed on	June 28, 2012
Signature of Corporate	Date
Officer	Mechal hlad
Printed/Typed Name	Michael Sheard
Title of Corporate Officer	General Marson